

House Resolution No. 3540

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the strength, depth, and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

Whereas, seventy years ago James C. Ireland took the lovely hand of his beautiful bride, the former Roberta Sales, as the two pledged their troth during a solemn wedding ceremony that was performed on June 11, 1938, in Leavenworth, Kansas; and

Whereas, seven decades later James and Roberta Ireland of Seymour observed their Seventieth Wedding Anniversary; and

Whereas, the marital union of James and Roberta Ireland has been richly blessed with the love and affection of their children, Sharon Young and Terry Ireland; eight grandchildren; and twelve great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, James Ireland provided for all of the needs and many of the desires of his growing family through his work for fifty-eight years at the Jayhawk Box Factory in Lawrence, Kansas; and

Whereas, Roberta Ireland likewise supported her husband and children through her employment at the famous Eldridge Hotel in Lawrence and through her skills as a homemaker; and

Whereas, James and Roberta Ireland used the occasion of their Seventieth Wedding Anniversary to reflect on the many changes that have occurred in their lives, in society, and around the world since the blessed day they became husband and wife; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such stellar citizens as James and Roberta Ireland during momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive marriage engaged in by James and Roberta Ireland and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they celebrate their Seventieth Wedding Anniversary; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of James and Roberta Ireland of Seymour, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Michael L. Cunningham
District No. 145

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3540, adopted July 2, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker